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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Joint Resolution

No. 37

Introduced by Assembly Member Lieu
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Brownley)

August 20, 2007

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 37—Relative to the Santa Monica
~~General Aviation~~ *Municipal* Airport.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AJR 37, as amended, Lieu. Santa Monica ~~General Aviation~~ *Municipal* Airport.

This measure would respectfully memorialize the Federal Aviation Administration to engage in a collaborative process to review *the safety of* flight operations at the Santa Monica ~~General Aviation~~ *Municipal* Airport, and examine the role that the airport plays in the regional aviation transportation system.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Santa Monica ~~General Aviation~~ *Municipal*
- 2 Airport (SMO) is situated on the border separating the Cities of
- 3 Santa Monica and Los Angeles; and

1 WHEREAS, SMO is one of the most residentially encroached
2 airports in the entire nation; and

3 WHEREAS, Jet operations at SMO have increased from less
4 than 2,000 in 1983 to more than 18,500 ~~this year in 2007~~; and

5 WHEREAS, Flight operations at SMO are often hindered or
6 delayed by the proximity of the airport to the Los Angeles
7 International Airport; and

8 WHEREAS, The safety of the residents who live in proximity
9 to the airport, both in Santa Monica and Los Angeles, is a prime
10 concern of the officials who represent the area at the various levels
11 of government; and

12 WHEREAS, The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has
13 primary jurisdiction over ~~all aspects of air travel~~ *aviation* in the
14 United States; ~~and~~

15 ~~WHEREAS, The FAA is currently reviewing the safety of flight~~
16 ~~operations at SMO; now, therefore, be it now, therefore, be it~~

17 *Resolved by the Assembly and the Senate of the State of*
18 *California, jointly*, That the Legislature respectfully memorializes
19 the FAA to engage in a collaborative process to review *the safety*
20 *of flight* operations at SMO, and examine the role that SMO plays
21 in the regional aviation transportation system; and be it further

22 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages the FAA to engage
23 in an open and transparent process that includes input from the
24 Cities of Santa Monica and Los Angeles, appropriate local and
25 state elected officials, and affected community organizations; and
26 be it further

27 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages the FAA to honor
28 the decision of the City of Santa Monica to increase safety
29 precautions at SMO and restrict the use of ~~class C and D aircrafts~~
30 *Class C and D aircraft* at SMO; and be it further

31 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
32 of this resolution to the Administrator of the FAA, to the United
33 States Secretary of Transportation, and to each Senator and
34 Representative from California in the Congress of the United
35 States.